

Does any delegate desire to change his vote?

The Clerk will record the vote.

There being 88 votes in the affirmative and none in the negative, the motion is carried. The amendment is adopted.

Are there any other amendments to section 3.09?

Any amendments to section 3.10?

Section 3.11?

Section 3.12?

Section 3.13?

Section 3.14?

Delegate Grumbacher.

DELEGATE GRUMBACHER: On 3.14 I have Amendment D, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: D as in David?

DELEGATE GRUMBACHER: As in dammit.

THE PRESIDENT: Pages will please distribute Amendment D—D for David.

Delegate Rosenstock.

DELEGATE ROSENSTOCK: Mr. President, a point of personal privilege, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: State the privilege.

DELEGATE ROSENSTOCK: I would appreciate if the Convention would join in giving their usual welcome to my oldest grandson, John Hawley, who has been attending the sessions of the Convention the last several days. He is sitting in the north balcony.

*(Applause.)*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Frank Robey.

DELEGATE ROBEY: Mr. President, a point of personal privilege.

THE PRESIDENT: State the privilege.

DELEGATE ROBEY: I, too, would appreciate the Convention would give a warm welcome to the husband of Kathleen Robie, Mr. William Robie, and her grandson, Steven Scott Stevens.

I would like it to be noted for the record, since Kathleen and I have had a noted battle about spelling our names, that Mr. William Robie's mother spells her name and her maiden name as "Robey".

*(Applause.)*

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair would like also to recognize the presence in the gallery of the honorable Senator Blair Lee of Montgomery County. He has been a visitor to the Convention quite often. We are delighted to see him here again today.

*(Applause.)*

Delegate White.

DELEGATE WHITE: Mr. President, I would like to recognize the young son of Delegate Roy Borom who is up not too far from the President.

I would also like to advise the Convention that the eyes of the NAACP are upon you from the gallery at the rear, the husband of that very fine delegate, the husband of one individual, B. Clarence. Give him a hand.

*(Applause.)*

THE PRESIDENT: Amendment No. 10. The Clerk will read the amendment.

READING CLERK: Amendment No. 10, to Committee Recommendation LB-1, LB-2 and LB-3 as amended by Report S&D-16, by Delegate Grumbacher: On page 5, section 3.14, Organization of General Assembly, in line 24 after the word "officers" insert the words: "by secret ballot".

THE PRESIDENT: The amendment is submitted by Delegate Grumbacher. Is there a second?

*(Whereupon, the amendment was duly seconded.)*

THE PRESIDENT: The amendment having been seconded, the chair recognizes Delegate Grumbacher.

DELEGATE GRUMBACHER: This chestnut has been up and down the hill, to coin a phrase, before. It was a close vote the first time, a tie.

This secret ballot was used in the Congress of the United States for the first fifty years of our history. The founders of the Republic were realists, they knew where to set the balance that made the Constitution what it is.

In their rules for open voting and accountability on tangible issues, they were quite satisfied that the bills and resolutions be resolved by countervailing pressures, but on decisions on leadership, no. The intangibles of leadership and national direction were and are too sensitive. When policy and direction are tied to personality, voting must be accurate in terms of con-